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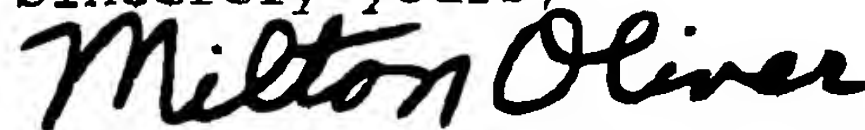
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We are also disturbed to note that the PTO replicated WIPO's
error by **swapping** the numbers of the priority documents, in spite
of the fact that we set forth the correct data in our Application
Data Sheet (copy enclosed).

It is apparent **upon inspection**, by anyone familiar with the
German patent system, that DE 199 45 313.6 was filed before
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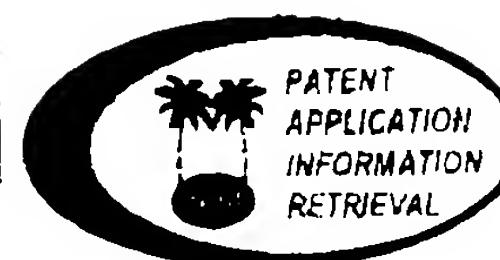
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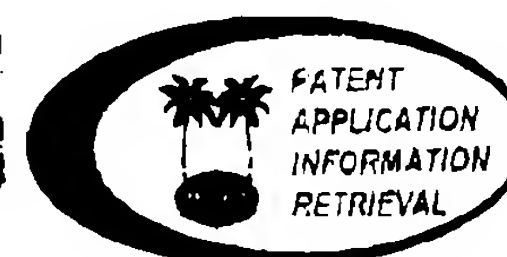
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